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DATE: September 9, 2002

TO: Ms. Linda Hallman

FIRM: USPTO

FAX NO: 703-305-9863

RE: U.S. Application Serial No. 09/683,375

FROM: Peter H. Priest

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MESSAGE:

Dear Ms. Hallman:

In response to your phone call, I enclose a copy of our return receipt postcard showing that our response to the Notice to File Missing Parts was timely filed on March 8, 2002 and received by the U.S.P.T.O. on March 18, 2002. Copies of this postcard and the papers filed with it are submitted herewith. Please call me if you have any questions.

very truly yours,

Peter H. Priest

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ima: Karen S. Elvan

Date: March 8, 2002

Chapel Hill, North Carolina March 8, 2002

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated January 8, 2002, we enclose a copy of said Notice and a Declaration for the above identified case. Also enclosed is our check for \$130.00 for the large entity fee surcharge.

Although a check is being submitted herewith, Applicants respectfully request that the Commissioner charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1058.

Respectfully submitted,

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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